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### THE FERTILIZER SITUATION FOR 1964-65

### General Situation

Net U. S. supplies of fertilizer materials for 1964-65 are expected to total 11,891,000 tons of plant nutrients: nitrogen (N), phosphate ( $P_2O_5$ ) and potash ( $K_2O$ ). This would be an increase of 7 percent over a year ago and 51 percent over four years ago.

Each of the three primary plant nutrients has been reported to be in tight supply since July 1, the beginning of the current fertilizer year (July 1 - June 30). Increased world-wide demand eliminated surplus stocks and is currently keeping pace with expanded production. Delays in construction schedules and difficulties in sustaining full production are also factors contributing to the tight supply situation.

Opportunities to export materials exert pressure on available supplies. Domestic producers can find foreign markets for their production to a point just short of creating shortages in the U. S. market. Anticipated exports may have to be reduced before the season ends in order to meet domestic requirements. Commitments to supply a substantial quantity of materials for the Agency for International Development (AID) program have contributed toward eliminating domestic inventories of ammonium sulfate.

Expected gains in 1964-65 supplies are dependent on movement of fertilizers during the rush season. Transportation and handling facilities must operate at maximum capacity during this period to provide enough fertilizers to satisfy anticipated needs for farmers. Farmers may not be able to obtain their first-choice product but should be able to procure satisfactory forms of nitrogen, phosphate or potash in quantities sufficient to meet their plant nutrient requirements.

Estimates presented in this report are based on trends shown by published production and inventory data for the first six months (July-December) of the fertilizer year and foreign trade statistics, supplemented by information from the industry.

# Nitrogen (N)

Net domestic supplies of nitrogenous fertilizer materials for 1964-65 will reach a record level of 5,091,000 tons of nitrogen (N), an increase of 11 percent over 1963-64 (table 1). Total nitrogen supply from domestic sources will be up 17 percent but the expected foreign trade balance will reduce this to a net gain of 11 percent.

<u>Production</u> - Production of anhydrous ammonia each month during the first six months of the current fertilizer year was higher than ever before for that month of the year. May has been the peak month for the past three years, but production in December 1964 even exceeded production

Table 1. -- NITROGEN: Estimated supply of nitrogen for fertilizer purposes, 1963-64 and 1964-65, United States and possessions

(1,000 short tons of N)

Item	1963-64 1/	1964-65
Supply from domestic sources		
Solids:		
Ammonium nitrate 2/	615	683
Ammonium sulfate $\frac{2}{2}$	405	569
Urea	232	265
All other solids	487	561
Total solids	1,739	2,078
Liquids:		
Ammonia (including aqua)	1,531	1,727
All other	$\frac{1,148}{2,679}$	1,373
Total liquids	2,679	3,100
Total (solids and liquids)	4,418	5,178
Imports		
Ammonium nitrate	73	65
Ammonium sulfate	48	33
Urea 2/	101	94
Ammonium nitrate-limestone		
mixtures	10	5
Sodium nitrate	64	52
Ammonia (including aqua)	74	103
Nitrogen solutions	25	25
All other	58	52
Total	453	429
Exports		
Ammonium nitrate	13	47
Ammonium sulfate	87	127
Urea	20	11
Ammonia (including aqua)	67	92
All other	77	239
Total	264	516
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	4,607	5,091

<sup>1/</sup> Revised

<sup>2/</sup> Adjusted for estimated quantity going into non-fertilizer uses.

in May 1964 by 40,000 tons. Anhydrous ammonia for direct application and formulation of mixed fertilizers will be up 13 percent. Nitrogen solutions may increase as much as 20 percent.

Total solid nitrogen materials are expected to be up 20 percent. Ammonium sulfate will be up 40 percent with other solid nitrogen materials registering gains ranging from 11 to 15 percent.

Imports - Imports of nitrogen will decrease 5 percent from last year's volume. Anhydrous ammonia is the only nitrogen product expected to be above the previous year. The indicated decline in imports of other nitrogenous materials is probably a reflection of the world supply-demand situation for nitrogen.

Exports - Exports of nitrogenous materials are expected to be double those of last year despite urea exports being down about one-half last year's volume. The increase will be in ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate, anhydrous ammonia and miscellaneous nitrogen materials other than urea.

Nitrogen capacities - Anhydrous ammonia capacity is estimated to have been 8,585,000 tons of NH<sub>3</sub> on January 1, 1965. This compares with 1,700,000 on January 1, 1951 and 4,750,000 tons on January 1, 1958. Anhydrous ammonia capacity in 1967 is expected to be double that in 1964 (table 2). These data are based on capacities and construction schedules available from published information. The average capacity of plants which came on stream in 1964 was 108,800 tons per year. Plants scheduled to come on stream in 1966 will average 316;700 tons of anhydrous ammonia per year.

Table 2. -- Estimated anhydrous ammonia plant capacity, including scheduled construction (1,000 tons)

	•	1	964	-	1	965	:	1	966		1	967	
	:	-			_			-		NH <sub>3</sub> :	_		
			s:							_	Plant		
	:		:	:		:	:		•	:		:	
Capacity Jan. 1	:	74	:7,49	7:	84	:8,	5 <b>8</b> 5:	91	:11	1,181:	103	:1	4,981
	:		:	:		:	:		:	:		:	
On stream during	:		:	:		:	:		:	:		:	
year	:	10	:1,08	8:	7	:2,	596:	12	: 3	3,800:	?	:_	?

Performance indicates the industry can currently produce other nitrogen products in the following annual quantities:

Solid fertilizer-grade ammonium nitrate	2,717,000	tons
Ammonium sulfate other than coke-oven	1,785,000	**
Nitrogen solutions (N basis)	1,507,000	**
Urea (total for all uses)	1,413,000	**

## Phosphates (P205)

Net domestic supplies of phosphates for fertilizers in 1964-65 are expected to total 3,718,000 tons of  $P_2O_5$ , 5 percent more than 1963-64 (table 3).

Normal and enriched superphosphate - The supply of normal and enriched superphosphate will decline 2 percent unless the production trend is reversed by the tight supply situation for concentrated sources of  $P_2O_5$ . Imports of these materials are negligible. Exports are likely to be about double those in 1963-64.

Concentrated superphosphate - Concentrated superphosphate supplies are expected to be up 18 percent over a year ago. Supplies increased last year 200,000 tons of P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> above the expected level because of shifts in production away from other concentrated P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> materials. Imports are expected to be up 25 percent. Exports will be 14 percent above last year.

Ammonium phosphates - In the recent past ammonium phosphate supplies have not increased at the rate generally projected for them. The total quantity available this year will be 18 percent more than last year. It would be more if producers had enough captive or contracted ammonia available to support ammonium phosphate production at planned levels. Imports will be 25 percent below last year. Exports are expected to be up 70 percent.

Supplies of wet-process and furnace phosphoric acid for direct application and for formulation of dry and liquid mixed fertilizers will be down 7 percent from last year. Furnace acid for fertilizer use is reported to be in especially short supply.

Ammonium phosphates for direct application - Consumption of selected grades of ammonium phosphates for direct application increased 15.5 percent from 1962 to 1963 (table 4). Ammonium phosphates, as the term is commonly used, include monoammonium and diammonium phosphates, mixtures of the two or combinations with ammonium nitrate and/or ammonium sulfate. The biggest gains were made by 16-48-0, 18-46-0 and 30-10-0. Ammonium phosphates are used also in bulk blending, in ammoniators and by manufacturers who add potash to produce mixtures containing all three primary nutrients.

Not all grades of ammonium phosphate are listed in Table 4. Others are made, some of which are more difficult to delineate from available data because the same N-P grades are produced by combining N and P2O5 source materials other than anhydrous ammonia and phosphoric acid. Some quantities of grades listed may even have been manufactured by other than the ammonium phosphate process.

Phosphate capacities - Production of normal and enriched superphosphate was reported to the Bureau of the Census by 187 plants in 1963, nine fewer than in 1962. This reduced the capacity of producing plants to an estimated 2,772,000 tons of  $P_{205}$ . The quantity produced in 1963 was about 44 percent of estimated capacity.

Table 3. -- PHOSPHATE: Estimated supply of  $P_2O_5$  for fertilizer purposes 1963-64 and 1964-65, United States and possessions

(1,000 short tons of available  $P_2O_5$ )

Item	1963-64 <u>1</u> /	1964-65
Supply from domestic sources		
Normal and enriched superphosphate	1,235	1,209
Concentrated superphosphate	1,262	1,495
Ammonium phosphate 2/	844	993
All other 3/	505	483
Total	3,846	4,180
Imports		
Concentrated superphosphate	24	30
Ammonium phosphate	32	24
All other	44	46
Total	100	100
Exports		
Normal superphosphate	31	63
Concentrated superphosphate	267	304
Ammonium phosphate	82	139
All other	20	56
Total	400	562
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	3,546	3,718

<sup>1/</sup> Revised.

<sup>2/</sup> Liquid and solid ammonium phosphate shipped as such by primary producers.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes ammonium phosphate (produced in combination with potash salts to make mixed fertilizers), nitric phosphates, sodium phosphate, wet base goods, calcium metaphosphate, natural organics, phosphate rock and colloidal phosphate, basic slag, and estimates of wet and furnace phosphoric acid for liquid and solid mixed fertilizers and direct application.

-- U. S. consumption of selected grades of ammonium phosphate for direct application Table 4.

Grade							1 1 1 1				
•••	1957-58		1958-59		1959-60		1960-61		1961-62		1962-63
••	(s.t.)		(s.t.)		(s.t.)		(s.t.)		(s.t.)		(s.t.)
		••		••		••		••		••	
11-48-0 :	83,066	••	103,518	••	116,383	••	134,104	••	138,669	••	147,287
13-39-0:	45,476	••	52,010	••	51,186	••	49,088	••	39,604	••	29,862
16-20-0:	295,015	••	336,759	••	378,335	••	405,749	••	463,551	••	485,282
27-14-0:	17,683	••	20,334	••	24,778	••	30,156	••	37,666	••	41,268
21-53-0:	27,413	••	26,980	••	30,881	••	33,272	••	39,068	••	29,743
16-48-0:	19,571	••	28,824	••	53,959	••	100,935	••	151,455	••	201,756
18-46-0:		••	<del>171</del> 9	••	20,388	••	32,680	••	81,253	••	175,312
23-23-0 :		••	8,001	• •	12,910	••	18,763	••	19,079	••	19,124
24-20-0:	8,062	••	12,237	••	13,822	••	29,047	••	20,319	••	16,299
30-10-0:	1,259	••	10,620	••	13,601	••	17,245	••	35,599	••	52,440
18-36-0 :			9,299	•• •	11,875	•• •	9,732	•• •	10,625	•• ••	
Total	497,545		609,226		728,118		860,771		1,036,888		,198,373
N content: $P_2O_5$ "	78,227 144,747	** ** ** (	97,550 177,300	•• •• ••	117,973 217,977	•• •• ••	141,516 265,355	•• •• •• •	173,660 326,608	•• •• •• •	202,997 391,330

"Consumption of Commercial Fertilizers and Primary Plant Nutrients in the United States," Agricultural Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Nitrogen and phosphate content calculated. Source:

Concentrated superphosphate capacity is estimated to be about 1.7 million tons of  $P_2O_5$ . This is exclusive of ability to produce the material in some normal superphosphate plants or in facilities allocated to ammonium phosphate manufacture. Plants newly announced will add about 300,000 tons of  $P_2O_5$ .

Ammonium phosphate capacity is estimated to be about 1.5 million tons of  $P_2O_5$ . New plants announced, plants under construction and expansion of existing plants will add about 1.2 million more tons of  $P_2O_5$ .

Wet-process phosphoric acid capacity has increased from 1,348,000 tons of  $P_2O_5$  January 1, 1960, to an estimated 2,984,000 on stream in March 1965, an increase of 121 percent. New plants announced, plants under construction and expansions will add close to 1.5 million more tons within the next eighteen months.

# Potash (K<sub>2</sub>O)

Net domestic supplies of potash for fertilizers in 1964-65 are estimated to total 3,082,000 tons of  $K_{20}$ , an increase of 5 percent over 1963-64 (table 5).

Table 5. -- POTASH: Estimated supply of K2O for fertilizer purposes, 1963-64 and 1964-65, United States and possessions

(1,000)	short	tons	οf	$K_20)$
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Item	1963-64 <u>1</u> /	1964–65
Supply from domestic sources		
Potassium chloride	2,571	2,.685
Potassium sulfate 2/	158	195
All other	35	35
Total	2,764	2,915
Imports		
Potassium chloride	626	831
Potassium sulfate 2/	47	32
All other	18	14
Total	691	877
Exports		
Potassium chloride	483	608
Potassium sulfate 2/	25	51
All other	18	51
Total	526	710
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	2,929	3,082

<sup>1/</sup> Revised.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes potassium-magnesium sulfate.

Domestic deliveries of potassium chloride will be up more than 4 percent over last year. Forward bookings were brisk at the beginning of the fertilizer year in anticipation that the tight supply situation would not improve. Producers have not been able to build inventories for the spring rush and several expect to be unable to accept spot orders after the rush begins.

Imports from Canada are expected to be increased 63 percent over last year. A second Canadian plant started production in September 1964 and a third plant is expected to make some contribution to the current year's supply.

Reduction in forward bookings of potash from France and Spain were reported at the beginning of this fertilizer year. French production has been limited by regulations on disposal of waste salts. Spanish mine production has been cut by strike, technical machinery and mining problems. German exports to the United States are also expected to be down. Demand has increased until the tight supply situation has become world-wide. Total imports from Europe are expected to be 20 percent less than in 1963-64. Some tonnage of potash is expected from a new plant in Israel but it will have little influence upon the U. S. market.

Exports of potassium chloride are expected to increase about 26 percent over a year ago.

Potassium sulfate and potassium magnesium sulfate supplies are expected to be up about 23 percent over 1963-64. Imports will drop 22 percent from last year. Exports during the first six months of the fertilizer year were three times larger than last year, and the total for the year will be at least double exports of last year.

Potash capacities - Effective domestic potash capacity is estimated to be about 3,075,000 tons of K20. Shipment was started at a new facility in Utah in January 1965 and will require time to bring production up to designed capacity. Another new facility in New Mexico is expected to start production in September 1965 but will also take time to reach full capacity. Several companies are actively exploring for potash. Explorations include interest in geothermal brine deposits in the Salton Sea area of California, deposits in Utah and a new area of exploration in Arizona.

Two companies are now producing potash in Canada and a third facility is expected on stream this spring. Four additional companies have announced plans for construction of production facilities in Canada. If projected construction plans materialize, Canada's potash capacity will exceed expanded capacity in the United States before 1975.

### Foreign Trade in Fertilizers

Imports of urea more than doubled from 1962 to 1964 (table 6). The points of entry are indicated roughly by the customs districts. Country of origin is given in Table 7. Indications are that about 78 percent of the imported urea is being used for fertilizer, the rest for feed supplement and industrial uses.

Canada continues to be the major source of imported fertilizers and fertilizer materials (table 7). Tonnages of potash from Canada will be larger than last year and are likely to show a steady growth as more U. S. firms start up potash facilities in Canada. Importation of lower analysis fertilizer materials is declining in volume. Imports of ammonium nitrate-limestone mixtures are declining but slackening of imports is partially owing to increased production on the part of domestic producers.

Products exported in large volume in 1963-64 were ammonium sulfate, concentrated superphosphate, phosphate rock and potash (table 8). Exports of nitrogenous materials, potash, ammonium phosphates and mixed fertilizers were brisk during the first six months of the current year. Producement for programs of the Agency for International Development (AID) added to the increased activity in ammonium sulfate and ammonium phosphates.

India, South Viet-Nam and South Korea, countries with active AID programs, took 84 percent of U. S. ammonium sulfate exports in 1963-64. These countries took 60 percent of the exported urea, 41 percent concentrated superphosphate, 45 percent of ammonium phosphates, 25 percent of mixed fertilizers and 8 percent of potassium chloride.

Mexico took 85 percent of U. S. exports of anhydrous ammonia and 46 percent of ammonium nitrate. Japan took 28 percent of the Florida phosphate rock and 46 percent of the potassium chloride.

Table 6. -- U. S. imports of urea by customs districts

(Short tons of material)

Customs district	•	1961-62	1962-63	: : 1963-64
Ol-Maine & New Hampshire	·	296	485	50
02-Vermont	:		10,472	
04-Massachusetts	:		893	
07-St. Lawrence	:		570	
09-Buffalo	:	20,949	29,895	22,332
10-New York	:	2,311	2,205	
11-Philadelphia	:		744	· ·
13-Maryland	:	15	1,129	816
14-Virginia	•	992	11,250	26,378
15-North Carolina	:	5,520	8,761	: 6,813
16-South Carolina	:			20
17-Georgia	:	8,665	12,120	: 180
18-Florida	:	1,292	2,156	: 13,636
19-Mobile		;	9,740	45
20-New Orleans	:			
22-Galveston	:	1,290 :	4,057	10,701
23-Laredo	:	;		300
25-San Diego	:	1,206 :	627	150
27-Los Angeles	:	5,521	7,810	16,512
28-San Francisco	:	7,238	12,914	12,639
29-Oregon	:	15,919 :	21,770	15,248
30-Washington	:	7,594 :	10,680	36,754
31-Alaska	:	22 :	50	
32-Hawaii	:	20,897 :	30,232	27,910
33-Montana & Idaho	:	3,937 :	4,202	26,104
34-Dakota	:	:		957
36-Duluth	:	:	885	3,524
38-Michigan	:	11,793 :	12,532	24,419
39-Chicago	:	:	48	130
43-Tennessee	:	:	43	
49-Puerto Rico	:	8,453 :	14,556	8,402
Takal	:	127 006	212.006	200 676
Total	:	137,290 :	213,886	280,416

 $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}_1$ S. imports of selected fertilizer materials by country of origin, 1963-64 (Short tons of material) u. 1 Table 7.

Country of origin	Ammonium Ammonium Calcium sulfate 32% & less nitrate	: Ammonium : nitrate :32% & less	Calcium; Urea		nhydrous Phospha	Phosphate:	Potassium chloride	Potassium: sulfate	Anhydrous Phosphate Potassium Potassium : Godium : fertilizer ammonia : crude : chloride : sulfate : nitrate : materials	Other ertilizer aterials
Canada Mexico Trinidad Netherlands Antilles Venezuela British Guiana Chile Norway Netherlands	176,479 3,009 4,505 2,155 2,094	11,200	101 28,033 12,800	115,475 10,120 44 14,950 60,142 2,050 20,489 424 140 35,760 24,122 23,642	10,120 60,142 20,489	185 12,887 117,745 12,275	666,535		164	3,603
France West Germany Spain Italy Japan French Pacific Islands	33,332	3,858	14,067	8,779 16,578 22,835 10,879		3,640	162,050 147,708 34,228	36,646 33,613 4,629 15,487	20 70 5,120	3,777 16,082 100
logo Other	120			4,738	52					3,072
TOTAL	227,704	49,549	55,001	280,416	90,803	187,756 1,043,493	,043,493	94,628	28,813	52,567

1/ Other materials imported, mainly from Canada, were the following: 217,735 tons of ammonium nitrate over 32%, 82,042 tons of nitrogen solutions, 28,320 tons of calcium cyanamide, 106,564 tons of ammonium phosphates, 146,052 tons of mixed fertilizers, 74,579 tons of phosphatic fertilizers and fertilizer materials and 15 tons of basic; also 396,958 tons of nitrate of soda from Chile. Other products were 3,872 tons of manures, including guano; 5,965 tons of potassium nitrate and 18,798 tons of other nitrogenous fertilizers and fertilizer materials.

Table 8. -- U. S. exports of selected fertilizer materials by destination, 1963-64  $\frac{1}{1}$  (Short tons of material)

		:Anhydrous:				. Normal :	Concentrated	J: Dotassium	. Ammonium :	Mixed
Country of destination	: Sulfate	:Ammonium:and aqua :Ammonium: Urea :rnosphare : sulfate: ammonia :nitrate :	nitrate	Urea:		super- phosphate:	Super- phosphate	chloride	super- chloride phosphates fertilizers:	fertilizers
0	3 612	4 001	3,111	4,303	1.224.443	127,256	59,843	41,624	18,795	1,511
Canada	340	69.338	17,986		240,755	93	5,140	32,156	6,290	<del>191</del>
Elsol::.dor	2	3		2,142	8,051		4,579	5,851	881	9,024
Niceredue	20	12	125	1,580		100	474	100	1,556	12,540
Nicalagua	1 102	4.150			6,140	773	2,395	15,024	17,598	3,566
Costas Amorica Other	91	9	124	1.775	•	30	1,209	2,035	6,134	7,073
Weller America, Other	7.613		270	120	1,438	796	1,077	750	125	11,845
West Indies Other	17,679	116	76	309	4.231	1,082	2,007	14,780	9,637	4,199
Columbia			80	551	22,904		10,437	25,109	1,352	32,028
Venezuela	43	95	1,766	43	1,107		2,238	1,152	. 67	2,617
Peril			4.111	77	17,987		33	339	2,168	1,941
Chile		14	2,500		•		83,603	10,631	200	
Brazil	13,769			45	117,580	1,366	867,09	25,445	22	
South America, Other	3,792	3	1,226	269	6,578	571	2,551	818	7,167	11,131
Sweden					44,916		3,310	4,410		
Norway		3,500			12,710					
Denmark					11,455					7
United Kingdom					276,364	51		847		71
Ireland								9,912		
Netherlands					61,503		73,668		23,332	
Belgium					36,993			1,092		15
France				150	18,834		8,879		9,770	41
West Germany					572,422	9,683	4,300			3
East Germany						12,320			:	;
Spain	9,802			2	127,035				047	39
Italy	24			20	799,339					9
Greece			250	120					22,457	629
Europe, Other					8,574				1,102	15
India	238,802								43,564	25,450
Viet-Nam	88,617		354	26,565	44,719		35	1,159	20,237	16,021
Malaysia					1,151,618				184	33
Phil. Rep.	7			20	33,588		780	9,473	972	15,002
Когеа	19,316		392				237,915	58,885	59,328	
Taiwan				41				27,366	11,023	
Japan					1,742,254		7,592	368,037		52
Asia, Other	6,164		1,652	617			4,395	28	6,305	2,334
Australia	9		4,708	5	46,373			37,634	210	359
New Zealand	9		153	140	24,062			53,134	1,152	4,002
Oceania, Other										72
Republic of South Africa	1,145		10				2,001	55,428	836	19
Africa, Other	1,444	305	261	511			432	260	1,787	2,725
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ThTAI.	413.451	81.543	39.173	44.446	44.446 6.663.973	154, 289	579.391	804,779	274.291	164,881
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1/ Other materials exported were: 1,794 tons of nitrate of soda, 45,847 tons of nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials, n.e.c., 50,943 tons of potassic fertilizer materials, n.e.c., 50,943 tons of potassic fertilizer materials, n.e.c.

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### THE FERTILIZER SITUATION FOR 1965-66 1/

### General Situation

Net U. S. supplies of fertilizer materials for 1965-66 will total 13,428,000 tons of the primary plant nutrients -- nitrogen (N), phosphate ( $P_{205}$ ) and potash ( $K_{20}$ ). This is 15 percent more than last year. The 1965-66 supply is double that of eight years ago.

Net supplies of nitrogenous materials will total about 5,645,000 tons of N, up 14 percent from last year; phosphatic materials about 4,461,000 tons of P2O5, up 22 percent; and potash for fertilizers about 3,222,000 tons of  $K_2O$ , up 10 percent.

Supplies are assumed to be enough to relieve the tight situation of the past two or three years. However, industry reports that some spot orders cannot be filled. Some materials are reported to be in short supply due largely to their being preferred by mixers, bulk blenders and farmers.

Foreign trade data are expected to show that the United States is still a net importer of nitrogenous and potassic materials and a net exporter of phosphatic materials.

Phosphate rock and potassium chloride are the only materials exported in larger quantities than last year except materials for which requirements of the Agency for International Development (AID) are sizeable. Delayed scheduling of shipments precludes marked increases in exports in this fertilizer year. An exception is ammonium sulfate shipped mainly to India. Industry is showing a more active interest in foreign markets for fertilizers.

The "spring rush" is the climax to the fertilizer year, -- a crucial period for the fertilizer industry trying to supply farmers. The prevailing spring weather conditions have a major influence on fertilizer demand. The shortage of boxcars may adversely affect industry's ability to deliver the heavy volume of fertilizers needed during the rush season.

Supply estimates in this report are based on trends in production and inventory data for July through December only, on foreign trade statistics for the same period, and on supplemental information from the industry. The estimates for nitrogen will be low if some of the large ammonia plants nearing completion get into full production for 60 to 90 days before the end of this fertilizer year. In previous years the start-up of new plants after the first half of the fertilizer year did not seriously affect these estimates because new plant size was small compared with total existing capacity.

1/ The fertilizer year is from July through June 30.

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### Nitrogen (N)

Supplies of nitrogenous materials for domestic fertilizer use in 1965-66 will total 5,645,000 tons of nitrogen (N), an increase of 14 percent over last year (table 1). Total nitrogen supply from domestic sources will be up about 16 percent. Even with marked increases in anhydrous ammonia production, the U. S. continues to be a net importer of nitrogen, imports exceeding exports by 21,000 tons.

Production -- Total production of anhydrous ammonia in 1965-66 will be about 9.4 million tons, 50 percent more than only three years ago. Production records were broken each successive month, October through December, 1965, over the previous record in May 1965.

Anhydrous ammonia for direct application and formulation of mixed fertilizers will be up about 15 percent over last year. Supplies of nitrogen solutions are up about 10 percent.

Solid ammonium nitrate supplies are expected to increase about 4 percent. Ammonium sulfate supplies will be up about 38 percent. Solid urea will increase about 19 percent. Other solid nitrogenous materials will increase about 24 percent, largely as ammonium phosphates.

Imports -- Imports of nitrogen will be about 503,000 tons of N, 7 percent more than last year. The indicated increases in ammonia, sodium nitrate and "all other" nitrogenous materials will more than offset decreases in ammonium sulfate and urea.

Exports -- Total nitrogen exports are expected to be 482,000 tons of N, up 20 percent over 1964-65. Exports of ammonium sulfate are expected to be about double those of last year. Out-movement of all other nitrogenous materials is lagging behind the previous year, as much as 47 percent behind in the case of urea.

Nitrogen capacities -- Anhydrous ammonia capacity on January 1, 1966, is estimated at 11,059,000 tons of  $NH_3$ , an increase of 2.3 million tons during the last year. It is expected to be 17.9 million tons by 1968, double that on January 1, 1965 (table 2). These estimates are based on published capacities and construction schedules.

Table 1. -- NITROGEN: Estimated supply of nitrogen for fertilizer purposes, United States and possessions, 1964-65 and 1965-66

(1,000 short tons of N)

Item	1964-65 1/	1965-66
Supply from domestic production		
Solids:		
Ammonium nitrate 2/	653	679
Ammonium sulfate $\overline{2}/$	455	629
Urea	259	309
All other solids $3/$	<u>456</u>	566
Total solids	1,823	2,183
Liquids:		
Ammonia (including aqua)	1,835	2,114
All other	$\frac{1,212}{3,047}$	<u>1,327</u>
Total liquids	3,047	3,441
Total (solids and liquids)	4,870	5,624
Imports		
Ammonium nitrate	60	59
Ammonium sulfate	40	33
Urea 2/	88	73
Sodium nitrate	59	61
Ammonia (including aqua)	146	178
Nitrogen solutions	22	22
All other	55	77
Total	470	503
Exports		
Ammonium nitrate	39	30
Ammonium sulfate	135	270
Urea	19	10
Ammonia (including aqua)	102	96
All other	97	76
Total	392	482
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	4,948	5,645

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<sup>2/</sup> Adjusted for estimated quantity going into non-fertilizer uses.

<sup>3/</sup> To avoid duplication the figure for "all other solids" has been adjusted by the estimated amount of imported ammonia used in primary materials.

Table 2. Anhydrous ammonia capacity: Number of plants and estimated production capacity, in thousands of tons of ammonia, on January 1, by calendar years, 1965-68

	:	1	965	:	]	1966	:	1967 :	:	1968
	:	No.		:	No.		: No.		No.	
	: P	lants	NE	13:P	lants	s NH <sub>3</sub>	:Plant	s NH3:	Plant	s NH <sub>3</sub>
	:			:			:	:	:	
Capacity Jan. 1	:	84	8,77	6:	8 <b>9</b>	11,059	: 105	15,217	111	17,884
Start-up during year:	:			:			:			
Expansions	:	17)	2 20		8)	4. 3.50	: 1)	2,667		
New plants	:	5)	2,28	:	16)	4,158	: 6)	2,007		
	:			:			:			

The trend is toward larger anhydrous ammonia plants. Size of earlier plants was increased by adding units or trains. About the time the first single-train 600 tons per day ammonia plant with centrifugal compressors started producing, a contract was awarded for the construction of a 1000 tons per day single-train plant. The first 1000-ton plant started producing near the beginning of 1966, and now ten others are scheduled. The first 1500 tons per day single-train plant was contracted in the fall of 1965, and three others have since been announced.

Production performance indicated the industry has the capacity to produce annually other nitrogen products as follows:

Nitric acid (total for all uses)	5,356,000	tons
Solid fertilizer grade ammonium nitrate	2,707,000	11
Ammonium sulfate other than coke-oven	2,143,000	**
Nitrogen solutions (N basis)	1,768,000	ff
Urea (total all uses)	1,517,000	7.7

# Phosphates (P205)

The growth in concentrated phosphatic fertilizer materials is phenomenal. Net domestic supplies of  $P_{205}$  in 1965-66 are expected to total 4,461,000 tons, about 22 percent more than in 1964-65 (table 3). Exports of  $P_{205}$  will be about 2.5 times imports.

Superphosphates -- The supply of normal and enriched superphosphate will decline about 3 percent from last year. Imports of these materials are negligible. Exports are expected to be less than one-half what they were in 1964-65.

Concentrated superphosphate supplies will be 20 percent more than last year. Imports are expected to be off 12 percent. Exports are lagging 20 percent behind last year.

Table 3. -- PHOSPHATE: Estimated supply of P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> for fertilizer purposes, United States and possessions, 1964-65 and 1965-66

(1,000 short tons of available  $P_2O_5$ )

Item	1964 <b>-</b> 65 <u>1</u> /	1965-66
Supply from domestic production		
Normal and enriched superphosphate	1,142	1,110
Concentrated superphosphate	1,316	1,576
Ammonium phosphate 2/	1,031	1,322
All other 3/	513	659
Total	4,002	4,667
Imports		
Concentrated superphosphate	19	17
Ammonium phosphate	33	82
All other	46	45
Total	98	144
Exports		
Normal superphosphate	26	12
Concentrated superphosphate	269	215
Ammonium phosphate	111	112
All other	26	11
Total	432	350
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	3,668	4,461

<sup>1/</sup> Revised.

<sup>2/</sup> Liquid and solid ammonium phosphate.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes nitric phosphates, sodium phosphate, wet base goods, calcium metaphosphate, natural organics, phosphate rock and colloidal phosphate, basic slag, and estimates of wet and furnace phosphoric acid for liquid and solid mixed fertilizers and direct application.

Ammonium phosphates -- Ammonium phosphate supplies are expected to be 28 percent above last year, reflecting recent increases in production capability. Imports, primarily from Canada, are expected to more than double those of last year, while exports will be about the same as last year.

Phosphoric acid -- Production of wet-process phosphoric acid, a basic raw material for manufacture of concentrated superphosphate and ammonium phosphates, is about 30 percent ahead of last year. This increase has not yet been fully reflected in the production of concentrated solid phosphatic fertilizer materials. Part of the increase could be in liquid mixed fertilizers made from materials produced with superphosphoric acid. Superphosphoric acid is becoming a significant part of the concentrated P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> supply, but data are not available to show the extent of this development. Furnace phosphoric acid, used as a fertilizer primarily in liquid mixed fertilizers, is reported to be in especially short supply again this year.

Direct application of ammonium phosphates -- Direct application of selected grades of ammonium phosphates increased 18 percent from 1962-63 to 1963-64, the last year for which data are available (table 4). Gross tonnage increased from 497,545 tons in 1957-58 to 1,439,182 tons in 1963-64. The 16-20-0 grade has had a steady growth. More dramatic increases have been in 16-48-0 and 18-46-0 grades.

Ammonium phosphates, as the term is commonly used, includes monoammonium and diammonium phosphates, mixtures of the two or combinations with ammonium nitrate and/or ammonium sulfate. In addition to direct application, they are used in bulk blending and in mixing operations to produce grades containing all three primary plant nutrients.

The grades listed in Table 4 are not all-inclusive. N-P grades can be produced by mixing N and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> source materials other than anhydrous ammonia and phosphoric acid, or by chemical processes.

Phosphate capacities -- Normal superphosphate capacity has not been estimated. The number of normal superphosphate plants reporting to the Bureau of the Census reached a peak in 1955 (table 5). Production declined 5 percent from 1958 to 1964 while the number of producing plants was 17 percent less.

Concentrated superphosphate capacity is estimated to be 1,754,000 tons of P2O5. This capacity excludes some normal superphosphate plants and facilities allocated to ammonium phosphate manufacture. Plants newly announced or under construction will add about 532,000 tons of  $P_{2O5}$  by 1968.

Ammonium phosphate capacity is about 2.5 million tons of  $P_{2}O_{5}$ . New plants announced, plants under construction and expansion of existing plants will add 603,000 tons of  $P_{2}O_{5}$  by 1968. Many plants can produce either concentrated superphosphate or ammonium phosphates. Therefore, market requirements can change the type of product manufactured and thus change classification of a plant.

Table 4. -- Ammonium phosphates: U. S. consumption of selected grades for direct application, alternate years 1957-58 through 1963-64

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(Short tons)

	:			Ferti	lize	r year		
Grade	:	1957-58	:	1959-60	0	1961-62	:	1963-64
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	:		:		:		o e	
11-48-0	:	83,066	:	116,383	:	138,669		162,594
13-39-0	:	45,476	•	51,186	:	39,604	0	21,123
16-20-0	:	295,015	:	378,335	:	463,551	:	515,922
27-14-0	:	17,683	•	24,778	:	37,666	:	33,775
21-53-0	:	27,413	:	30,881	:	39,068	9	32,007
16-48-0	:	19,571	:	53,959	:	151,455	:	188,667
18-46-0	:	·	:	20,388	•	81,253	:	338,571
23-23-0	•		:	12,910	:	19,079	:	18,276
24-20-0	:	8,062		13,822		20,319	•	16,149
30-10-0	•	1,259		13,601	•	35,599	•	68,745
18-36-0	•	,		11,875		10,625	•	,
29-14-0	•		•	,		,	•	32,587
11-37-0	•		•					10,766
11 0, 0	•		:		:		•	10,700
	:		0		:		:	
Total	:	497,545	:	728,118	:	1,036,888	0	1,439,182
N content	:	78,227	•	117,973	:	173,660	:	249,486
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P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	•	144,747	:	217,977	:	326,608	:	480,316
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Source: "Consumption of Commercial Fertilizers and Primary Plant
Nutrients in the United States," Agricultural Research Service,
U. S. Department of Agriculture. Nitrogen and phosphate content calculated.

Table 5. -- Normal superphosphate plants: Number in the continental United States reporting to the Bureau of the Census

Year	No. plants	Year	No. plants
1955	218	1960	208
1956	210	1961	198
1957	202	1962	195
1958	211	1963	187
1959	209	1964	181

Wet-process phosphoric acid capacity has increased from 1,348,000 tons of  $P_2O_5$  on January 1, 1960, to an estimated 4,344,000 on January 1, 1966, an increase of 222 percent. Completion of new plants announced but not started, plants under construction, and replacements and expansions will add 1,503,000 more tons by 1968.

# Potash (K<sub>2</sub>O)

Net domestic supplies of potash for fertilizers in 1965-66 are expected to be 3,322,000 tons of  $K_2O$ , an increase of 10 percent over 1964-65 (table 6). Imports of 1,379,000 tons of  $K_2O$  are expected to be more than double the amount exported.

Potassium chloride -- Deliveries of muriate of potash from domestic production will be down about 8 percent from last year despite start-up by a new producer during the year. The boxcar shortage may reduce deliveries even more than currently anticipated.

Canada is the most important source of imported  $K_2O$ . Imports from there the first half of the year were 872,000 tons of material, 78 percent above the same period last year. European material is expected to be down slightly from last year.

Exports of potassium chloride are up slightly from 1964-65.

Potassium sulfates -- Deliveries of potassium sulfate and potassium magnesium sulfate are likely to be about the same as a year ago. Imports will be down 23 percent. Exports are expected to be up 13 percent over last year.

Potash capacities -- U. S. potash capacity, as of January 1, 1966, is estimated at 3,600,000 tons of  $K_2O$ . Capacity increased about 525,000 tons during last year through expansion of existing facilities and progress toward attaining full production of two new facilities. Several companies are

Table 6. -- POTASH: Estimated supply of K<sub>2</sub>O for fertilizer purposes, United States and possessions, 1964-65 and 1965-66

 $(1,000 \text{ short tons of } K_20)$ 

Item	1964-65 <u>1</u> /	1965-66
Supply from domestic production:  Potassium chloride  Potassium sulfate 2/ All other	2,527 212 35	2,336 210 35
Total  Imports Potassium chloride Potassium sulfate 2/	840 28	2,581 1,342 22
All other Total Exports	16 884	15 1,379
Potassium chloride Potassium sulfate 2/ All other Total	537 64 24 625	555 73 10 638
NET DOMESTIC SUPPLY	3,033	3,322

<sup>1/</sup> Revised.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes potassium-magnesium sulfate.

actively exploring for potash. Locations involved are geothermal brine deposits in the Salton Sea area of California, mineral deposits in Utah, a new area in Arizona, an underground lake in Nevada, and expanded extraction from Great Salt Lake in Utah.

Three companies in Canada have an estimated annual capacity of 1,920,000 tons of K20. Five additional companies have announced plans to build plants there. If these plans materialize, the eight active companies will have an estimated capacity of 6.8 million tons of K20. Twenty other companies are reported to be planning, probing, leasing and/or prospecting for potash in Canada.

### Foreign Trade in Fertilizers

Canada is the major source of U. S. fertilizer imports (table 7). Imports of potassium chloride from Canada have reached a level where 39 percent of the net U. S. supply in 1965-66 is expected to be from there. Canada's urea capacity has increased until in 1964-65 over 50 percent of U. S. imports came from there.

Imports of urea in 1964-65 were 34,074 tons less than in the previous year (table 8). The quantity entering through the Vermont, Buffalo, Montana-Idaho and Duluth customs districts was from Canada plus a portion of that through Washington and Hawaii. Country of origin is given in Table 7.

Imports of anhydrous ammonia and potassium chloride show significant increases in 1964-65 over a year earlier (table 9). The increase in anhydrous ammonia is from the Caribbean area primarily for use in Gulf and Atlantic coast finishing plants. The increase in potassium chloride tonnage is from the recently developed Canadian potash deposits.

Exports of ammonium sulfate, phosphate rock, concentrated superphosphate and potassium chloride each were over the one-half million ton level in 1964-65 (table 10), having grown during the last five years (table 11). Ammonium phosphates have tripled in volume in the last three years.

Mexico is an important customer for most of the fertilizers exported by U. S. producers, although Japan is the leading one for phosphate rock and potassium chloride. Countries in Europe took 35.6 percent of the phosphate rock.

Countries with active AID programs, India, Pakistan, South Korea and Viet Nam, took 62 percent of the ammonium sulfate exports in 1964-65. They also got 34 percent of the concentrated superphosphate, 58 percent of ammonium phosphates, 57 percent of mixed fertilizers and 7 percent of potassium chloride. Requirements for AID programs form a large part of U. S. fertilizer exports.

S. imports of selected fertilizer materials by country of origin, 1964-65 (Short tons of material) u. ! Table 7.

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Country of origin	Ammonium Calcium Urea sulfate 32% & over: nitrate	Ammonium: Awmonium: Calcium sulfate; 32% & over: nitrate	Calcium nitrate	1 1	Anhydrous ammonia	Phosphate	Anhydrous; Phosphate; Potassium; Potassium: Other ammonia; crude; chloride; sulfate; nitrate; materials	: Sulfate	:Potassium: Other 1. sodium :fertili : nitrate : materi	Other ertilizer naterials
Canada	189,804	180,018	46	46 126,593	11,706	20 001	1,102,873	224		8,758
Trinidad Netherlands Antilles	1,515			17,317 10,571	139,496	93,490				(77
Chile Brazil					9,229				10,723	2,246
Norway Netherlands		51	51 39,176	38,295 9,609						41
Belgium France				15,219 5,620			6,503	21,957		25
West Germany Spain	1 500		1,090	12,036			129,952	25,097		4,971
Italy				5,512			•	8,820		200
Morocco Ghana Other				5.570	4 221	8,894 32,668 5,022				5,29
					1326	1				(3)
Total	192,819	180,069	180,069 40,312	246,342	246,342 177,747	160,077	1,399,281	56,098	10,723	17,295

Other materials imported, mainly from Canada, were the following: 73,685 tons of nitrogen solutions, 22,074 tons of calcium cyanamide, 111,579 tons of ammonium phosphates, 160,076 tons of mixed fertilizers, 61,750 tons of phosphatic fertilizers; also 366,363 tons of nitrate of soda from Chile. Other products were 4,813 tons of potassium nitrate and 19,455 of nitrogenous fertilizers and fertilizer materials. 1

Table 8. -- U. S. imports of urea by customs districts, 1961-62 to 1964-65 inclusive

## (Short tons of material)

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Customs district	:	1961-62	: : 1962-63	: 1963 <b>-</b> 64	1964-65
01-Maine & New Hampshire	:	296	· : 485	50	50
02-Vermont	•		: 10,472		
04-Massachusetts	:	*	*	1,292	•
07-St. Lawrence	:			590	
09-Buffalo	:	20,949		: 22,332	
10-New York	:	•	*	: 12,943	•
11-Philadelphia	•	•		2,481	
13-Maryland	:	15			
14-Virginia	:		: 11,250		10,948
15-North Carolina	:			: 6,813 :	
16-South Carolina	:	350	: 60	: 20 :	150
17-Georgia	:	8,665	: 12,120	: 180 :	. 9,624
18-Florida	:			: 13,636 :	1,322
19-Mobile	:	/			
20-New Orleans	:	523	:	: 84 :	220
22-Galveston	:	1,290	: 4,057	: 10,701 :	565
23-Laredo	:			: 300 :	
25-San Diego	:	1,206	627	: 150 :	400
27-Los Angeles	•	5,521	7,810	: 16,512 :	13,715
28-San Francisco	0	7,238	: 12,914	: 12,639 :	11,470
29-Oregon	:	15,919	: 21,770	: 15,248 :	13,863
30-Washington	:	7,594	: 10,680	: 36,754 :	28,562
31-Alaska	:	22	: 50	: :	
32-Hawaii		20,897	: 30,232	: 27,910 :	26,943
33-Montana & Idaho	:	3,937	: 4,202	: 26,104:	30,581
34-Dakota	:		:	957 :	309
36-Duluth			: 885	: 3,524:	4,958
38-Michigan	:	11,793	: 12,532	: 24,419 :	24,721
39-Chicago	:		-	: 130 :	
43-Tennessee	•		: 43	-	
49-Puerto Rico		8,453	: 14,556	8,402	13,120
Total		137 296	: 213 886	280,416	246 342
IULAI		137,290	. 210,000	200, 710	270,072

Table 9. -- U. S. imports of selected fertilizers, 1960-61 to 1964-65 inclusive

(Short tons of material)

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Material		1960-61:	1961⊶62 :	1962-63:	1963-64	1964-65
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	•	<u>:</u>	<del></del>	<u>.</u>	<del></del>	
Ammonium sulfate	•	193,800:	269,893:	225,553:	227,704:	192,819
Ammonium nitrate (32% & less)	):	91,110:	107,369:	65,702:	•	3
Calcium nitrate	:	77,742:	40,895	•	•	40,312
Urea	:	90,262:	136,773:	213,886:	280,416:	246,342
Synthetic nitrogenous	:	:	:	:	:	
material n.e.c.	:	28,135:	67,911:	60,803:	18,798:	19,455
Phosphate, crude	:	157,669:	128,898:	172,230:	187,756:	160,077
Potassium chloride	:	348,025:	330,380:	682,864:	1,043,303:	1,399,281
Potassium sulfate	:	75,963:	91,476:	117,952:	94,628:	56,098
Potassium⇔sodium nitrate	:	20,461:	25,751:	29,894:	•	10,723
Nitrogen solutions	:	60,453:	74,842:	•	-	
Ammonium nitrate	:	170,753:	189,991:	254,524:	217,735:	180,069
Calcium cyanamide	:	43,856:	39,754:	33,987:	28,320:	22,074
Sodium nitrate	:	408,246:	490,336:	378,825:	396,958:	366,363
Ammonium phosphates	:	102,038:	144,930:	153,850:	106,432:	111,579
Mixed fertilizers	:	297,963:	267,247:	162,184:	•	160,076
Anhydrous ammonia	:	:			90,803	177,747
	:	:	:	:	:	

exports of selected fertilizer materials by destination, 1964-65 (Short tons of material) ŝ U. Table 10. --

	sulfate	te ammonia	nitrate		rock (all); phospha	:phosphate:	phosphate	chloride	chloride phosphates fertilizer	fertilizers
Canada Ganada	8,010	14,253	1,221	3,860	1,379,207	93,130	32,881	26,582	15,224	4,728
Mexico	30,768	109,078	63,097	20,592	224,935		73	32,335	10,643	6,011
El Salvador	1,003	7	6,000	30	5,410		9,731	6,859	331	10,112
Costa Rica	17			11	10,697	1,032	1,638		24,080	1,476
Dominican Republic	25,955	18		1,078	7,610		5,710		2,225	1,771
Central America, Other	176	27	121	3,118	26	55	4,734		10,694	17,950
West Indies. British	29		447	76	337	860	311	381	334	8,601
West Indies, Other	8,884	32	408	190	5,567		8,749	10,491	4,299	096
Colombia	647		308		24,270		45,770	30,949	11,503	1,130
Venezuela		040	5,183	100	21,808			6,007	6	2,420
Peru	39	10	8,054	1,737	19,961	78	379	220	708	1,727
Chile		24	4,476	309			608,46	16,393		
Brazil	95,679		441	10	213,439	3,857	51,371		292	1,435
South America, Other	13,277		547	2,477	17,565	26	5,035		8,467	7,482
Sweden			105		49,715			19,688		-
Norway					12,398			4,884		
Denmark					19,190					5
United Kingdom					276,796			727	7,056	106
Netherlands					67,104		63,422		13,226	4,865
France				101	61,031		22,349		10,239	24
West Germany			20	10	1,016,084	11,200	248	3,145		794
East Germany						19,834				
Spain	48,579				123,558				22	77
	,		i	100	8/0,246		4,300	10,8/6		5 -
Europe, Other	315		24	28	20,820		11,421	4,480	1,102	6/
India	364, 292				23,510			2,571	12,220	56,065
Pakistan	13,083			18			1,471			
Viet Nam	20,817			2,490	22,466		51	1,653	4,231	58,951
Malaysia	2,205	67	100		22,664				93	22
Philippines			470	52	31,188			5,902	1,164	684
Korea							196,836	57,573	201,764	5,163
Taiwan								11,575	11,133	
Japan					1,816,125		1,716	366,121	5,473	255
Asia, Other	208	182	1,864	144	995		7,463	2,195	6,678	13,924
Australia	666'6		066	3,254	558,415			46,530	3,348	.44
New Zealand			88	258	149,504			120,046	1,510	3,841
Oceania, Other		4							16	86
Refublic of South Africa			22,702				13,351	42,805	502	9
Africa, Other	788	327	162	1,768			10	290	326	1,119
Total	644,210	1.24,069	116,828	41,783	7,072,641	130,102	584,129	895,495	368,912	214,967

1/ Other materials exported were: 569 tons of nitrate of soda, 47,395 tons of nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials, n.e.c., 29,906 tons of organic waste, n.e.c., 44,311 tons of phosphatic fertilizer materials, n.e.c., and 128,405 tons of potassic fertilizer materials, n.e.c.

Table 11. -- U. S. exports of selected fertilizers, 1960-61 to 1964-65 inclusive

(Short tons of material)

	:	:	:	:	•	
Material	:	1960-61:	1961-62:	1962-63:	1963-64:	1964-65
	:	:	:	:	•	
	:	:	:	:	:	
Ammonium sulfate	:	209,167:	430,282:	485,900:	413,451:	644,210
Sodium nitrate	:	1,123:	1,341:	1,499:	1,794:	569
Anhydrous ammonia	:	87,782:	80,515:	50,243:	81,543:	124,069
Ammonium nitrate	:	33,507:	37,631:	26,764:	39,173:	116,828
Urea	:	96,621:	92,579:	24,769:	44,446:	41,783
Synthetic nitrogenous	:	:	:	:	:	
materials n.e.c.	:	48,519:	9,612:	9,486:	45,847:	47,395
Phosphate rock	: 4	4,465,094;	4,689,035:	4,930,901:	6,663,973:	7,072,641
Normal superphosphate	:	140,749:	128,782:	120,367:	154,289:	130,102
Concentrated superphosphat	e:	361,485:	490,499:	438,964:	579,391:	584,129
Potassium chloride	:	760,791:	775,147:	637,736:	804,779:	895,495
Potassium sulfates	:	36,774:	62,127:	35,411:	50,943:	128,405
Ammonium phosphate	:	118,925:	75,715:	122,419:	274,291:	368,912
Mixed fertilizers	:	86,646:	73,957:	87,656:	164,881:	214,967
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